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ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action in the subject application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

Petition For Extension Of Time \boxtimes

Applicant(s) petitions for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, the fee for which is \$110.0 (enclosed).

Applicant(s) believes that no petition for an extension of time is necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, applicant(s) hereby petition for a sufficient extension of time to render the present Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the submission timely. appropriate petition fee.

No additional claim fee is required. \boxtimes

Other:

The claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 14, 1997, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 1, please insert --BIOPOLYMER-BOUND NITRIC OXIDE-RELEASING COMPOSITIONS, PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS INCORPORATING SAME AND METHODS OF TREATING BIOLOGICAL DISORDERS USING SAME--.

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